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of English officers are helping the
Amer in fortifying and strengthening
Herat.

St. Petersburg, 6th.—The continuous
invasions of Turkish marauders into the
Caucasian provinces, have elicited the
indignation of the press, and the
papers advise Government to send a
strong detachment of Cossacks to repel
these attacks.

Washington, 6th.—At the Ottoman
Legation no importance nor credit is
attached to the rumor that the Sultan
is rapidly losing his faculties. The
rumor is attributed to the malevolence
of enemies of Turkey.

New York, 6th.—An Irish meeting
was held this evening, at which it was
resolved to aid Mr. Parnell in his
election to the Parliament. To this
end fifty representatives were named, who
will at once proceed to Ireland.

Copenhagen, 6th.—M. de Giers, the
Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs,
has left for St. Petersburg.

Habana, 6th.—Benala Borgez, the
last of Sanchez's followers, has been
caught and probably shot.

Montevideo, 7th.—The *Nacion* publishes
a very severe article against Deputy
Lamas.

General Santos leaves on the 15th
for Estancia del Pilon.

An official paper states that Government
will apply the Custom House re-
ceipts for the payment of all estimates
up to the end of the year.

The Magellan is expected. Weather
is stormy.

Patagones, 6th.—The *Mercurio*, which
arrived at 6 o'clock this morning, has
brought for Valdivia, where the 2nd
division is garrisoned, 8 Krupp can-
non, and 120 boxes containing 1,500
Remingtons and a large quantity of
ammunition.

The Vidua and the Rio Negro
have left Patagones with cargoes of
lime.

It rained heavily last night.

CURSO FORZOSO DEBATE.

The result of this debate in the
House of Deputies must be highly sa-
tisfactory to those who take an interest
in the country, since, notwithstanding
all that was published in the papers of
Government influence, of mechanical
majorities, of corruption, indebtment,
etc., sound, common sense and common
probity won the day, and the bill has
come up from the Deputies to the
Senate in a form most honorable to the
country, and to our public men. The
merit of this great victory of principle
and public honor we most certainly
ascribe to Dr. Davila, the talented
author of *La Prensa*, who for consecutive
hours perfectly charmed the house
with one of the most brilliantly elo-
quent speeches ever delivered in Con-
gress, and summary of which we
give in another column. Then the bill
was taken up for discussion; there was
a strong majority in favor of Art. 4, as
passed by the Senate, which obligated
to the repudiation of all gold obliga-
tions previous to the Curso Forzoso
decree; gradually, however, as the
Deputies went to article to article, as
speech followed speech, opinion be-
gan to be better formed. Men who at
first considered Art. 4 by the Senate as
a necessary sequel to article 1 and 2,
began to look at the question in a
different light. On last Friday night there
was a very trifling majority in favor
of Art. 3, owing to the powerful oppo-
sition to it made by Dr. E. Paz, Sr.
Leguizamón, Gen. Mansilla, and Mr.
Lainez. Had the voting not been
pushed through at midnight, we who
witnessed the whole debate, are of
opinion that it would have been thrown
out. Dr. Davila's speech opposing Art.
4 came just at the right moment. At
times he was pathetically splendid and
the whole house was held in breath
on breaking out into spontaneous ap-
plause. His apostrophe to public
order—orden publico—the assigned
motive for the bill, was worthy of our
immortal countryman Edmund Burke.
His appeal on behalf of the sinking
honor and credit of his country carried
even the opposition with him, and
when the house rose for 4 hours, we
noticed that conspicuous amongst those
who crowded round him to shake his
hand and congratulate him, were the
determined supporters of the objection-
able Art. 4.

There is much to be learned from
this debate, and much that redounds
to the honor of the country. We are
not living as many suppose in a period
of despotism, intrigue, and corruption;
on the contrary, public sentiment, pub-
lic opinion and public common sense,
hold as much sway in this country as
in the greatest and most honored na-
tions on earth. The very arguments
urged to impeach the honesty of our
legislators and our public men, namely,
the gold indebtment of many of the
provinces, redound all the more to their
public spirit and public honor, when
we find the eloquent appeal of Dr.
Davila break to the utmost effect of
evidence and every consideration that
weighed in the scale against the public honor
of the country. Yes, we must all admit
that the debate on this "curso for-
zoso" bill is a greater victory for the
country than Insuaino or Chasnovich.
Congress may err in a too lavish ex-
penditure of the National revenue;
may even plunge the country into
trouble and disaster by a policy too
progressive for its resources; may waste
the time of the session in the discus-
sion of political trifles and the granting
of endless pensions, but all these are
faults that lean to virtue's side; and
in the great and vital questions
which involve the credit of the coun-
try and the people's honor, no man er-
rors in judgment and his mind that
on a clear exposition of facts he is not
open to conviction; and this is the
great point under consideration. The
winning majority at the opening of
the debate in favour of the Senate

embarked in it shall be current, unless
with a National stamp, and for this
purpose the banks will during that time
call in their notes to exchange for
this stamp. Political partisanship was for-
gotten—political animosities and poli-
tical interests swept away. A new
party sprang into existence on the floor
of the House of Deputies—a party
whose banner is common sense and
common honesty—and that party pre-
vailed. Dr. Pellegrini, Minister of
War, also spoke well on the
occasion. He did not ask the
House to vote Article 4 of the
Senate, but what he did ask was that
the committee when it eliminated the
article in question it ought to have in-
troduced one of its own framing, ex-
pressing its views, and if not going so
far as the Senate article, at least fix-
ing the limits of "curso forzoso," so as
to rescue commerce from disputes and
lawsuits; and so pertinent were the
Minister of War's remarks, that his
views at once gained ascendancy, and
30 Deputy Lainez, on the spur of the
moment, drew up the article embodying
Dr. Davila's and Dr. Pellegrini's views,
and which was carried by so large a
majority. We do not think it probable
that any vote of the Senate will dis-
turb this vote; but whatever may be
the after history of this bill, we must
all accept the vote of the Deputies on
Tuesday night as another evidence of
the soundness of the country and its
people.

FROM OUR BROTHER-EDITOR

Edinburgh, Sept. 7th.

I wrote you last night from London.

This evening telegrams contradicted the

announcement of last night that war had

been declared. Havas will have sent

you the truth of the matter. If Germany

refuses to withdraw from Yap it seems

almost certain that the Spanish Govern-

ment should apologize for the burning of the

German flag. The opinion here is,

that K. Alfonso dare not apologize,

and that the Republican party in Spain

is making capital out of the occurrence,

utterly regardless of the consequences

to the country. If war be declared

Spain will lose not merely the Cana-

ries but the Philippines and the Cana-

ry Islands, which Germany will annex.

So desolate is Spain this moment that

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calamity was brought on by the errors
of Government, and if we pass this
article we make permanent what other-
wise is transitory.

Mrs. Maglioli and Demaria also
spoke, and at last it was put to the vote
and passed 27 for the affirmative 24 op-
posed.

Art. 8.—Provided that banks should
reciprocally receive each other's notes.
This gave rise to discussion, as it
was said some of the Provincial Banks
would pass all their notes into National
Bank. Mr. Calvo offered an amend-
ment, but the article was put to vote
and passed.

Dr. Pellegrini, Minister of War, rose
and asked permission to insert Art. 9,
which established a tax on the emis-
sion of all these banks of 1 p. cent
until they convert.

Mr. Villalonga's report, unimpor-
tant, were put and carried "mem con"
and the House then rose.

MR. VILLALONGA'S REPORT.

The kilometre working of railways
in this republic is as follows:—

Railways. Gross. Expenses. Net.

Western..... 4,800 2,815 1,985

Andino..... 1,243 648 595

Central..... 1,243 648 595

Primer R. Riano..... 808 1,389 581

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